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Amendment Under Rule 312

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the claims of the application as indicated in the claim amendment pages provided herewith.

Each of the amendments is presented either by way of improved syntax, or to be consistent regarding the connection means (between said proximal and distal ends) in clause (b) of claim 1, or to provide consistency in clauses (d) and (e), regarding the placement of a conduit (in the device body) as is already recited in clause (c).

No new matter is presented, and no substantive change is made in the claims. The insertions in the claims regarding the connection means and second and third conduits are submitted to be inherent, but the specific inclusion in the claims is submitted to add greater consistency and clarity.

Entry of the amendment is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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